

—Where's the Editor, please?—
—Playing foot-ball.

—The State Board of Health holds a conference at Charlotte on the 15th inst.

—Messrs. Clarkson and Dowd are raising Cain in the country. Look to the boys.

—The large nugget of gold from the Ham Bailes mine was brought to Charlotte and assayed last Friday.

—Mr. Lattis, of the 4C's, proposes to play parallel tracks on Trade and Tryon streets.

—The Victor mill will start up business again as soon as enough operatives can be procured.

—Quite a commotion was caused by the bursting of the noise quieter of the express, last Friday. All report to the woods "save the engine."

—Some rounce attempted to enter the house of Mr. J. G. Breeland, Thursday night, by cutting in a window, but the proprietor foiled the intruder's object.

—The Presbyterian college is honored by the presence of Prof. Bennett Griffin, the eminent violinist and soloist, whom they have employed to teach this term.

—According to the law made by the Pop. legislature, straw hats were not taken off your straw hat, field, remember that you are violating the law.

—"Dog On."

—Dalman & Black's dog and pony show will strike Charlotte, October 15th. It is said to be an O.K. show.

—Fighting into the Future.

—Unknown persons called on Mr. W. F. Felt Saturday night. The proprietor happened to be awake and gave them a warm reception.

—Burglars broke into the store of Mr. Wm. McKenzie on North Tryon street Saturday night. Groceries to the amount of \$30 were taken.

—"Our John."

—The "old stork-packer," John Sessom, has decided to postpone his marriage till after the election, owing to the money question.

—Killed by a Barbed Wire Fence.

—A cow belonging to Mr. Baxley Moore, in trying to jump a barbed wire fence last Saturday morning, severing an artery, and consequently bled to death.

—Editor Ashcraft in Town.

—We were pleased to have a call from Editor Clegg B. Ashcraft, of the Monroe Enquirer with us a few minutes Monday. He says that "mine is getting right now in good democracy."

—Health Board's Wise Work.

—City Sanitarium, by order of the Board of Health, takes a yellow card, with name of disease of male inmate, on the houses of persons having contagious diseases. A wise precaution.

—Black Sam Released.

—Sam Alexander, colored, was arrested October 7th on the charge of having burned Mr. Will Alexander's house in Mallard Creek township last week. The bond—\$200—was signed by Mr. Cy Alexander.

—Had a Twist on Sunday.

—Sunday afternoon, in the rear of the OB-FEVER building, John Adams and a man by the name of Lankford had a rough-and-tumble fight. Lankford got the best of it. Adams got a black eye and a trophy.

—The Latest Fad.

—A "bike" pulled Mr. W. M. McCall for his wheel Thursday morning. Mr. McCall, superintendent of the Charlotte Clothing Manufactory, left his bicycle in the rear of that building. When he returned that the horse was gone.

—Spider Bitten.

—Mr. John Berryhill, a citizen of Steel Creek township, several days ago was bitten by a spider. Dr. Walker, of Charlotte, is attending him, and says that he will probably have to amputate his arm as he Mr. Berryhill has blood poison.

—Two to One.

—Last Friday Logan Hoover, colored, wore out a warrant for Mr. R. L. Logan and John Mendonhall, who he says attacked him with a knife and a pistol. They were arraigned before E. quite Maxwell, Saturday.

—The Old Hunters out For Some Fun.

—Tuesday night messrs John O. Alexander, D. P. Lee, Will Pharr and C. L. R. of this county took the train for Burgaw, Pender Co. When they will be driven fifteen miles in the country to Bear Gardens where they will hunt bear and deer. Mr. Alexander and Mr. Lee are old time hunters. They never go and come without game. The Democrat expects a deer shank on their return.

—The Officer Outran Him.

—A negro by the name of Zeno Alexander got up a disturbance some time ago, and escaped. The officers have been on the lookout for him since. Monday morning Constable McCord captured him. He was turned over to Deputy Sheriff. On the way to the Tombs, the negro attempted to get away. Making a break, the deputy gave chase and picked him up. The negro was safely landed in jail.

THE BAILES-RAMSEY FIGHTS.

Ham Bailes Killed Miss Ramsey and Her Brother Fight a Him for It.

This has been a romantic fighting week in the city. Last week while Mr. R. H. Ramsey, bookkeeper at S. S. McNinch & Co's, was away from the city Ham Bailes, a clerk at the same house with Miss Ramsey, R. H. Ramsey's sister, kissed her against her will. They all boarded at Mrs. W. W. Ramsey's on West Fifth street. When Ramsey returned to the city Saturday night his sister told him of Bailes' insult to her. Sunday morning he met Bailes at the stairway and gave him a pretty severe punching. But this did not end the trouble by any means. Monday night as Ramsey was going home and work, he alleges that Ham Bailes attacked him on the steps. The latter got a severe lick above the left eye. Ham Bailes claims that he alone attacked Ramsey. Before the mayor Tuesday morning Ham Bailes was fined \$10 for attacking Ramsey. It seemed then that all the trouble was over, but not yet. When Bailes and Ramsey went out of the court, Ramsey, it is claimed by Sam Bailes, called him a son of a cur. That put blood in Bailes' eye. There would have been a fight on the spot had not parties intervened. All went smooth then till late in the afternoon.

Some time ago it appears that Elbert Bailes bought a buggy from S. S. McNinch & Co, and Sam Bailes signed a note with Elbert for the buggy. If Bailes found that he could not pay for the buggy he was to take it back. Tuesday Elbert and his uncle, James W. Bailes went down to return the buggy. Mr. McNinch preferred not to do it then but to wait till the trouble was all over. Bailes insisted and finally the agreement was made and the buggy returned. Sam Bailes went down and helped settle the affair. As he received the receipt for the money paid for the rental of the buggy and turned to leave the office he said to Ramsey: "You cursed me this morning and I want to settle with you; when can I do it?" Ramsey was behind the counter. He said: "Right now you can do it, and right here."

Bailes asked him out and Ramsey followed. As soon as Ramsey got out on the street he commenced to pound Bailes like a pile-driver. He gave him a desperate lick over the left eye making an ugly wound. Ramsey is a little, low, heavy-set fellow. He looks like every inch of him is a man. Quiet, easy and gentlemanly in his manners. Bailes is somewhat larger than Ramsey. The fight went on. The combatants were at first parried but they flew at again. Bailes got Ramsey a blow about the mouth while the latter was looking away. Ramsey finally got him down and the pulled him by the hair. They were separated and McNinch carried Ramsey in the store and locked the door. Mr. E. B. Springs ordered Bailes away, telling him that they had just come expressly for a fight. Sam called him a liar and Springs made at him. But friends interfered. Bailes told him that he would not always be in the Springs building. Sam Bailes said to E. B. Springs: "You will be going down the road some of these days and when you do you had better be armed for I will get you." The officers came and Sam and Jas. W. Bailes were taken to the city hall. Yesterday morning the trial was held and Sam Bailes and Ramsey were fined \$5.00 each. Sam Bailes \$5.00 also for an affray with E. B. Springs. E. B. Springs, Ernest Stenerson and J. W. Bailes each fined \$2.50.

THE WORKINGMEN'S CLUB.

Many Come Out to Hear Mr. Tillot Speak.

—A Number Join.

On the night of Oct. 9th the Court house was crowded to hear Mr. Tillot's address the working men of Charlotte. This was the first meeting of the Club. There was a large audience and everybody was enthusiastic by the work, in behalf of Democracy.

Mr. Charles W. Tillot was introduced by the President of the Club—Mr. E. A. McGahey. Mr. Tillot spoke for half an hour or more and was applauded heartily. The address was a strong argument for Democracy. A large number of names was added to the list, which now numbers 200. Every Democrat felt that this was a good work in a great cause.

BETRAYALS AND TRUST.

The new firm—Lieberman & Co.—who occupy the Springs Building discovered last Thursday morning that some of their goods were missing.

Looking over the stock of goods, a pair of clothes, hats, cravats and a suit of under-shirts were missing. It was evident that no one had entered the store after doors had been closed. In their employ was a colored porter. Suspicion rested at once on him. Chief Orr was notified and Will Johnson, the porter, was arrested and turned over to the Sheriff. Johnson at first denied the charge, but later owned up to having taken the goods.

Several articles were found at his home, belonging to the firm, which they had not missed.

DEATH OF MRS. COLLINS.

Mrs. J. H. Collins, whose maiden name was Miss Julia Parks, died of diphtheria at the home of her mother, in Providence, last Tuesday at 10 o'clock. Her death was quite a shock as no one expected it. She leaves a child four weeks old.

On Sunday Mrs. Collins had an attack of something like cramp and from that time on till death came she had not been well, and no one thought of her being seriously sick. Mr. Collins was in Mississippi at the time and could not be present at her burial in Pineville yesterday. She was a daughter of the late H. M. Parks and Mrs. Ann Parks, of Pineville, died only a short while ago.

THE SCHOOLFIELD MEETING.

Large Congregations Attend the Services. Good Preaching—Good Music.

Rev. Mr. Schoolfield, the D. D. of the Evangelists, began a series of meetings in Tryon Street Methodist church Sunday morning.

Mr. Schoolfield is not a stranger in Charlotte. A few years ago he held a like meeting in the same church. He is a striking figure in the pulpit—tall and slender. He makes every point emphatic by his clear ringing voice and numerous gestures characteristic of the man. There is no foolishness about him—every sentence he utters is full of gospel truth. He seldom takes a text, like many other preachers, but reads a few verses in the Bible and proceeds to tell everybody of their wrongs, and suggests a remedy for them. His language is plain and simple—even a child understands him.

Mr. Schoolfield is doing much good. Large crowds attend the services both day and night. The music is magnificent. Prof. Van Peit is Mr. Schoolfield's singer. The choir is highly pleased with him. The meeting will continue for a week and perhaps longer.

MR. VINSON G. OTT'S DEATH.

After Months of Suffering He Crosses the River—Drops the Cause of His Death.

Over And's bar on Oct. 8th, Mr. Vinson G. Ott died. He had been a great sufferer for many months. He was seized with a day by day, month by month, gradually grew worse till finally he was called to go. Death was desirable as he had often expressed. For two weeks he was compelled to sleep on a chair.

Mr. Ott was well known not only in Charlotte but throughout the country. Everybody was his friend.

Mr. Ott came from West Virginia 30 years ago. He went to California in 1849 during the gold fever period.

Besides leaving instructions to his lawyer to pay his debts, he will end the balance of his property to the Thompson Orphanage.

THE WORKINGMEN'S CLUB MEET AGAIN.

Tuesday night the working men's Democratic Club met again in the court house. The Hon. J. D. McCall made a speech. He told the working men the plain facts and figures about county government and the importance of white supremacy in North Carolina. The members were thoroughly aroused. Hundreds of names swelled the list of members.

The Democrats of Charlotte are well organized, and as Mr. McCall said: "If the Democracy of North Carolina and of the United States is well organized as the Democracy of Charlotte, we will send Bryan to the White House on November 3rd."

AROUND THE JOKERS TABLE.

A few days ago in Washington city two negro loungers were resting near the White House. First negro said: "Well all this fuss and politics will soon be over and things will go on just the same." Pointing to the lawn of the White House he continued: "That grass will grow just as green and those flowers will bloom just as pretty but Cleveland will be gone and McKinley will be here."

The second negro said: "Yes dat may be so but Mr. Kinley had better not let Mr. Bryan catch him at it."

ANOTHER BARN BURNED.

On last Friday night about midnight, in Crab Orchard township, Mr. Douglas Orr discovered that his barn was on fire. But he was too late to do anything toward putting out the fire as it had gained considerable headway before it was discovered. Soon the building and contents were in ashes. About 1,000 pounds of seed cotton, sugar, corn, and various other articles were consumed in the flames. The work undoubtedly was that of some designed person. As yet, it is not known who did it.

GO TO A WHEAT GRAIN IN HIS EYE.

Mr. Durant Cashion, of Lincoln county, got a wheat grain in his eye last June, while in the harvest field. Mr. Cashion thought that it was a gravel or small bit of stone. It gave him considerable pain lately. Last Friday he came to Charlotte and consulted Dr. W. W. Cashion, who found under the lid of Mr. Cashion's eye a wheat grain. Mr. Cashion went back to his home rejoicing that he, at last, had gotten rid of the "mote in his eye."

UNCAS NEWS ITEMS.

UNCAS, Oct. 12.—We had no service at our church yesterday except Sunday school. We miss our absent young people very much indeed, in the Sunday school and elsewhere.

We are honored out here this week. Misses Annie Howard and Pattie Morris are visiting at Rev. Mr. Martin's.

Miss Bessie Martin Blakeney, of lower Providence, is visiting Miss Margerie Murr.

Messrs. Ed Bryant and John Cyle made a flying trip to Uncas last week.

Mr. Dallas Pitts, formerly of this neighborhood, now of Richmond, Va., is visiting friends and relatives in Mallard Creek and Concord.

Mr. R. Junius Hunter has gone to Louisville, Ky., to continue his course in theology.

Dr. J. Y. Hunter studies in Richmond this winter.

Miss Dena Query is visiting in Huntersville this week.

Miss Annie Query has gone to Steel Creek, to teach school.

Mr. R. J. Cochran will take charge of the Mallard Creek Academy this year.

COORDINATION INVITATION TO NEIGHBORS.

Neighbors to come and help us enjoy the day.

DIVISION NEWS ITEMS.

Reunited of the Democrat. DAVID N. COLLINS, Oct. 10.—The 10th number of the DEMOCRAT reached here yesterday. It is, as usual, of interesting items of news. Some sad, some very cheering, and some "doubtful." What a kaleidoscope this country is, during these atmospheric and political storms. Both will, I trust, be more calm ere long. I read the news in the daily papers—"caught on the wing"—and reserve my verdict till I see the "old reliable DEMOCRAT," and then I take my "bearings."

From what I can see and hear in this section—"beat," it is called, I believe, in political parlance—it is a waste of time to try to, 16 silverites to 1 gold-bug. However, it will on the 3rd of November be more than can be predicted with any assurance. Both sides are trying to make it appear that if their party doesn't win, the whole country will go to smash. But viewing the matter from a neutral standpoint, my conclusion is, that there will be no disturbance among the heavenly bodies, and that the next eclipse will come to time.

For my part, I shall do with my vote, like an old man of Alexandria, Va., did with his gold. He had about \$3,000 in gold that he concluded to invest in government bonds, if he could be assured that they were good. So he went over to Washington to see the Secretary of the Treasury about the solvency of the bonds, and after being assured by the Secretary that they were all right, the old man told him that he had \$3,000 in gold which he wanted to invest in them. "All right," Mr. A., what denomination will you have them in?" The word "denomination" rather puzzled the old man; but after reflecting awhile, said: "Well, for the sake of the old woman, I want in straight-cut Baptist bonds!" So, "for the sake of the old woman," I expect to vote the national prohibition ticket; but the chance is high for the democratic fusion, or whatever the committee sees proper to call the political hermaphrodite.

There are about 150 students here in college, and "more to follow."

Dr. Munroe has about 25 embryos "M. Ds." in his department, and when his new medical building is completed, the North Carolina Medical College will turn out as well finished M. Ds. as any Northern University.

A LUNATIC AT TARGE IN ATLANTA.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 2.—B. H. Osborne, a lunatic, escaped from his home here to-day and this afternoon shot and killed Theodore Shrader on the corner of Lloyd and Alabama streets. Shrader was foreman of a lithograph company. He had left his work and was on his way home. Osborne met him, and without a warning drawing his pistol, he did not hit him but killed him almost instantly. The men did not know each other. Osborne was in the asylum once and was violently insane. A year ago he was released, the doctors thinking that he had recovered.

On Monday he was married and a day or two later his family noticed that he was growing violent again. His father had arranged for a judicial investigation to-day, in order that the young man could be returned to the State asylum. While the father was having secured a pistol. He had declared that he intended to kill some one, and officers were sent out to look for him. Osborne went to the union passenger station and shot a man or more there. About 4 o'clock he walked off rapidly and after passing a hundred people, shot Shrader on the insane impulse. Osborne stood still and waited until a policeman arrested him. There is no doubt about his insanity. Shrader leaves a family.

O. H. Dockery.

Monroe Journal. Our good old friend, the War Horse of the Pee Dee, is about the most lovable man we know of. He is a mighty honest man or he is a poor politician. In flying the track of his party he shows either principle or a great deal of resentment; if the latter, he shows poor politics. The old man has written a long letter defining his position, and but for the remedy he was offered, he would have known that he was out of all. There is something pathetic about his story. He was a Republican when being one was infamous. He had left his work and was on his way home. Osborne met him, and without a warning drawing his pistol, he did not hit him but killed him almost instantly. The men did not know each other. Osborne was in the asylum once and was violently insane. A year ago he was released, the doctors thinking that he had recovered.

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CHARLOTTE COTTON MARKET.

Reported by John W. Miller & Co.

We have had a steady—almost unchanged market for the past week, and we don't look for much change for some time. We quote: Good Middling 74; Middling 7; Tl-6 6 to 6 1/2.

Receipts during the week, 5-0; receipts from Sept. 1, 1895, to Oct. 1 1896, 22, 972 bales.

Flour, from country mills, \$1.75 to \$1.50 per sack.

Corn 40; Meal 34; Peas 30; Oats 33 to 35.

Irish Potatoes 45 to 50 per bushel.

Sweet Potatoes 30 to 35 per bushel.

Brown sugar, from stores 5 cents per pound.

Butter 12 to 15 cents per pound. Chickens grown 18 to 20, Spring 10 to 15 cents; eggs 7 to 8.

Cotton Seed—Bushed 15 cents; Ton, \$10.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHICAGO FIRE.

The Occasion Taken Advantage of by the Sound Money Democrats and Republicans to Haze a Parade.

Chicago, Oct. 2.—Twenty-five years ago to-day the city of Chicago was laid waste by the greatest conflagration of modern times. It is now commemorating that dreadful havoc and suffering, Chicago celebrates the rebuilding and progress that since that time is now the second city in America.

The anniversary was taken advantage of by the local managers of the presidential campaign to make a demonstration in advocacy of the present financial system, both Republicans and Democrats joining forces under the direction of the Business Men's Sound Money Association in an organization parade, the like of which has never been seen in this, or probably in any other American city.

As a counter demonstration the free silverites will combine in a torch-light procession of the same kind, to be quite as notable as the day parade of the gold men.

Probably in the history of Chicago there has never been quite so many people on her streets. The sidewalks were a continuous line of humanity, which was with great difficulty kept from blocking the streets by the constant activity of an immense detail of police.

The day was made a general holiday. The board of trade and nearly all business houses were closed, and to swell the thousands of people came from the surrounding country, the railroads reporting the heaviest passenger traffic since Chicago day at the World's Fair, three years ago.

Promptly at 10 o'clock a cannon on the Lake front gave the signal for the parade to move. Immediately General Stockton, who had charge of the army of volunteers, representing almost every branch of the industry, gave the order to march, and the mayor, George B. Swift, Chief of Police Badesch, Inspectors Bonfield and Shaw, at the head of a platoon of police, led the great parade of industrial workers and social clubs on their triumphant tour of the business portion of the city.

The line of march was as follows: Michigan avenue, to Madison, to Dearborn, to Randolph, to Dearborn, to Franklin, to Madison, to Dearborn, to Monroe, to Market, to Adams, to Dearborn, to Jackson, to Market, where the parade was disbanded.

Although a comparatively short line of march, the procession, moving at a quick marching step, occupied an hour and a half in covering it, and the time of the entire procession, passing a given point was estimated at from six to seven hours.

There were from 75,000 to 100,000 in line.

THE SILVER DEMOCRATS CALLED THEM ON THE JACK POT AND WON.

Chicago, Illinois, October 2.—Before the echo of the applause of the multitudes who witnessed the demonstration for sound money and protection in striking the industrial workers of Bryan from every quarter of the city marched with flaming torch to stirring music, poured forth by a score of bands, over very near the same route followed by their political opponents during the day. Red fire and search lights added to the attractiveness of the parade and lent their assistance in stirring up the enthusiasm of the on-lookers at every position of vantage along the line of march. The balcony of the auditorium annex was the reviewing stand for the free silver parade, and from it Vice President Adlai E. Stevenson, United States Senator Henry M. Teller and many noted Democrats reviewed the marching followers of Bryan and Sewell as they passed. The parade left the Columbus statue on the lake front at 8 p. m. The line of march was Michigan avenue to Randolph street, west to Fifth avenue, to Jackson street; east to Michigan avenue to Sixteenth street, and thence to the Tattersalls, where the speeches of the evening were delivered.

LONGSTREET COULD NOT MAKE HIS SPEECH.

Augusta, Ga., Oct. 2.—The Republican rally in Augusta to-night was long drawn out. There were about 400 people in line, mostly negroes. The whites present, with a few exceptions that could be counted on one's fingers, were Democrats, who attended out of mere curiosity. Major J. F. Hanson, of Macon, was the first speaker. He was not able to make his speech, and portions of it were read from a printed pamphlet. He was present, but is suffering from throat trouble. At midnight the meeting had not adjourned.

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